§22.363 Directional antennas.

Fixed transmitters for point-to-point operation must use a directional transmitting antenna with the major lobe of radiation in the horizontal plane directed toward the receiving antenna or passive reflector of the station for which the transmissions are intended. Directional antennas used in the Public Mobile Services must meet the technical requirements given in Table C-2 to §22.361.

- (a) Maximum beamwidth is for the major lobe at the half power points.
- (b) Suppression is the minimum attenuation for any secondary lobe referenced to the main lobe.
- (c) An omnidirectional antenna may be used for fixed transmitters where there are two or more receive locations at different azimuths.

§22.365 Antenna structures; air navigation safety.

Licensees that own their antenna structures must not allow these antenna structures to become a hazard to air navigation. In general, antenna structure owners are responsible for registering antenna structures with the FCC if required by part 17 of this chapter, and for installing and maintaining any required marking and lighting. However, in the event of default of this responsibility by an antenna structure owner, each FCC permittee or licensee authorized to use an affected antenna structure will be held responsible by the FCC for ensuring that the antenna structure continues to meet the requirements of part 17 of this chapter. See §17.6 of this chapter.

- (a) Marking and lighting. Antenna structures must be marked, lighted and maintained in accordance with Part 17 of this chapter and all applicable rules and requirements of the Federal Aviation Administration.
- (b) Maintenance contracts. Antenna structure owners (or licensees and permittees, in the event of default by an antenna structure owner) may enter into contracts with other entities to monitor and carry out necessary maintenance of antenna structures. Antenna structure owners (or licensees and permittees, in the event of default by an antenna structure owner) that make such contractual arrangements

continue to be responsible for the maintenance of antenna structures in regard to air navigation safety.

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§22.367 Wave polarization.

Public mobile station antennas must be of the correct type and properly installed such that the electromagnetic emissions have the polarization required by this section.

- (a) *Vertical*. Waves radiated by the following must be vertically polarized:
- (1) Base, mobile, dispatch, and auxiliary test transmitters in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service;
- (2) Transmitters in the Offshore Radiotelephone Service;
- (3) Transmitters on channels in the 72–76 MHz frequency range;
 - (4) [Reserved]
- (5) Control and repeater transmitters on channels in the 900-960 MHz frequency range;
- (6) Rural subscriber stations communicating with base transmitters in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service pursuant to §22.563.
- (7) Ground and airborne mobile transmitters in the Air-ground Radiotelephone Service.
- (b) Horizontal. Waves radiated by transmitters in the Public Mobile Services, other than transmitters required by paragraph (a) of this section to radiate a vertically polarized wave must be horizontally polarized, except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section.
- (c) Circular. If communications efficiency would be improved and/or interference reduced, the FCC may authorize transmitters other than those listed in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(7) of this section to radiate a circularly polarized wave.
- (d) Any polarization. Base, mobile and auxiliary test transmitters in the Cellular Radiotelephone Service are not limited as to wave polarization. Public Mobile Service stations transmitting on channels higher than 960 MHz are not limited as to wave polarization.

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